

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attorney's Docket No.: 101215-51

Applicant(s) : Klaus-Peter Gerbling et al.
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For : Method for Detecting Microorganisms in Products

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

At the bottom of page 49, please delete the paragraph starting with "SEQ ID No. 20", and insert the following substituted paragraph,

--SEQ ID No. 55 5' CTTGTACACA CCGCCCGTCA 3'--.